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Auto Layoff Drives Employment Down

Georgia's nonagricultural wage and salary employment dropped 700 from July. Most of the activity was in the manufacturing sector, specifically in transportation equipment. One major automobile manufacturer laid off more than 3,000 workers during retooling for model change. Although some of these people will return to work when retooling is complete, the company has indicated that some will remain on indefinite layoff because of disappointing sales during the past year.

Partly offsetting the declines were gains in local education and trade. The increase in local education was seasonal, reflecting the resumption of classes for the new school year. The increment in trade affected both the wholesale and retail sectors. Wholesale trade activity is increasing at this time in preparation for the fast-approaching holiday shopping season, while retail department and clothing stores gear up for back-to-school sales.

Over-the-year employment changes were considerably more substantive than the monthly fluctuations. Overall, employment rose 17,800, with manufacturing dropping 8,500 while nonmanufacturing rose 26,300.

The heaviest losses in the manufacturing division were recorded in

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New Developments

Style Crest Products, a division of Poly Foam International, Inc., will build a 30,000-square-foot regional distribution center and office complex in Villa Rica. The company manufactures fiberglass steps, aluminum railings, vinyl skirting, tie-down equipment, awnings, and patio covers for the mobile home industry. Style Crest also distributes heating and air conditioning equipment for mobile homes. The facility will be located on a six-acre site on Industrial Court East. Construction is expected to be complete by the end of this year. Initial employment will be 35 with more people to be added in 1989.

Matsushita Communication Corporation of America will employ an additional 200 people at its expanded Peachtree City facility by the end of the year. The expansion will double the size of the present 70,000-square-foot plant. State-of-the-art cash registers and order-taking equipment to be used by McDonald's Corporation will be produced in the new facility as well as pagers and cellular telephones.

Academy Insurance Group has relocated its headquarters from Philadelphia to Sandy Springs. Some 300 people are employed at the new facility.

Scotty's, a Winter Haven, Florida-based building supply and hardware chain, has opened a 49,000-square-foot store in Savannah on the first of September. Located in Victory Square Shopping Center, the store employs about 40 people. Scotty's other Georgia operations include stores in Macon, Moultrie, Bainbridge, Tifton, and Thomasville.

Ricoh Electronics will build a 600,000-square-foot facsimile plant in Gwinnett County. To be located on a 68-acre tract in Gwinnett Progress Center, the $89 million plant will be constructed in four phases, with the first scheduled to begin in October 1989.

Target Stores, a division of Dayton Hudson Corporation, has announced plans to buy 13 Richway stores in the Atlanta area and one Athens store. The stores' inventory will be liquidated over the next three months, after which the stores will be closed for remodeling. They will reopen under the Target name by May 1989. The 2,100 employees of Richway will be given severance pay and assistance in finding new jobs, according to a spokesman for Campeau Corporation, Richway's current owner. Although not specifically committed to hiring Richway employees to staff the new Target Stores, a Target spokesman indicated that their experience would be favorably considered if they choose to apply for employment. Target is the upscale discount division of Dayton Hudson Corporation, which also owns Branden's, a home furnishing store; Lechmere, a discount electronics and appliance store; and Mervyn's, a mid-range department store.

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durable goods, specifically transportation equipment. Employment in aircraft assembly plants is 6,200 lower than in August 1987, largely because of the completion of a federal contract in one major plant. Automobile employment is down 1,900 over the year. Although most segments of the industry suffered some reversals, the majority of the decline occurred in one plant where sales of the model manufactured were less than projected.

Among nondurable goods, the big loser was men's and boys' clothing. Several cut-and-sew operations in Georgia have closed altogether or cut back substantially during the year. The Hanes Company's recent announcement of three large apparel plants to be opened in Georgia in the near future is expected to give the industry a much-needed boost.

The service industries accounted for well over half the annual growth in nonmanufacturing. The continued demand for all sorts of health services fueled growth in that segment, while business services also rose impressively. Other service industries increased, but by lesser numbers.

Local government continues to be the fastest growing segment of government employment, rising by more than 9,000 from last year. Something less than half is attributable to local education, but the remainder appears to reflect increased staffing levels in a variety of local government agencies. State government rose modestly, most of the gain in state education institutions. The federal sector declined, except for federal defense, which was up slightly.

Contract construction dipped 3,300 from August of last year, most of the loss in heavy building and special trades construction. Most of the decline can be traced to the near-completion of Georgia Power Company's Plant Vogel, and the effects are being felt in the economy of that sector of East Central Georgia. In just over two years, employment at Plant Vogel has dropped about 5,500.

New Developments

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Gateway Center Fashion Mall will significantly increase retail employment in the Atlanta area when it opens in Midtown in 1990. An estimated 2,400 people will be employed.

Thrall Car Manufacturing Company, the nation's largest builder of automobile-carrying rail cars, will double the size of its Winder plant and add at least 200 employees by next year. Currently at five cars per day, plant capacity will reach 12 per day when the 54,000-square-foot expansion is complete.

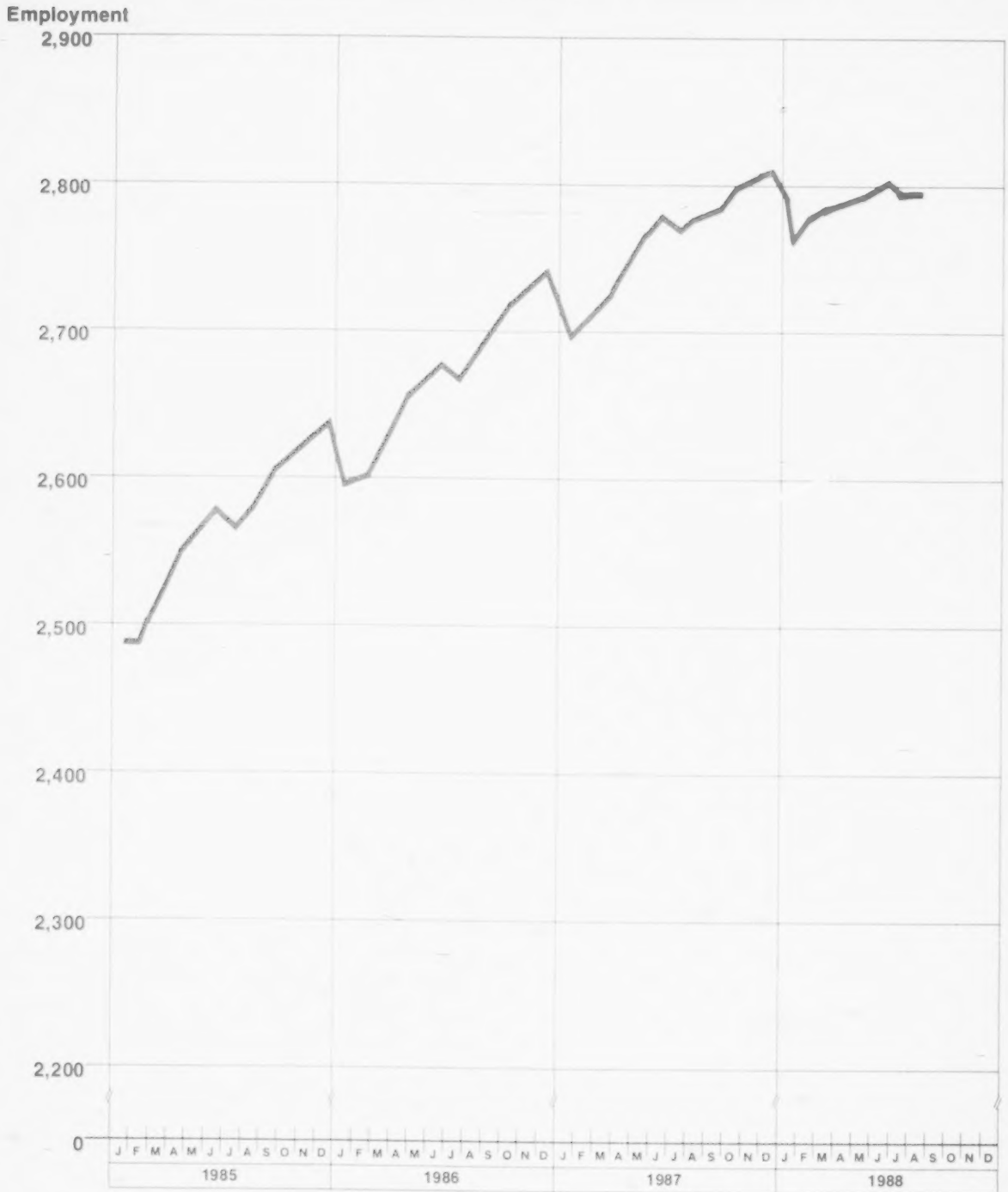
American Western Corporation has agreed to buy Exxon Chemical's plastic bag manufacturing plant in Marietta. A company spokesman said that American Western hopes to expand the plant, but plans are not yet complete.

Eastern Airlines, which recently announced plans to lay off 300 Atlanta-based employees, has reduced that number by more than half. Because of the number of employees who have resigned or retired in the wake of Eastern's service cutbacks and staff reductions, there will be no need to lay off any pilots and only about half the number of flight attendants scheduled for termination, according to a company spokesman. The fate of mechanics and ramp workers scheduled for layoff remains uncertain.

Pratt and Whitney has announced the elimination of 31 positions at its jet engine parts plant in Columbus. Seven of the affected people will be reassigned to other positions within the plant, and the remainder will be laid off by the end of 1989.

General Motors Corporation's Doraville assembly plant will not recall as many as 500 hourly workers following the annual shutdown to retool for model change. A company spokesman blamed poor sales of the Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme, which is made there. The reduction follows the layoff of 800 workers in July.

TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
(In thousands)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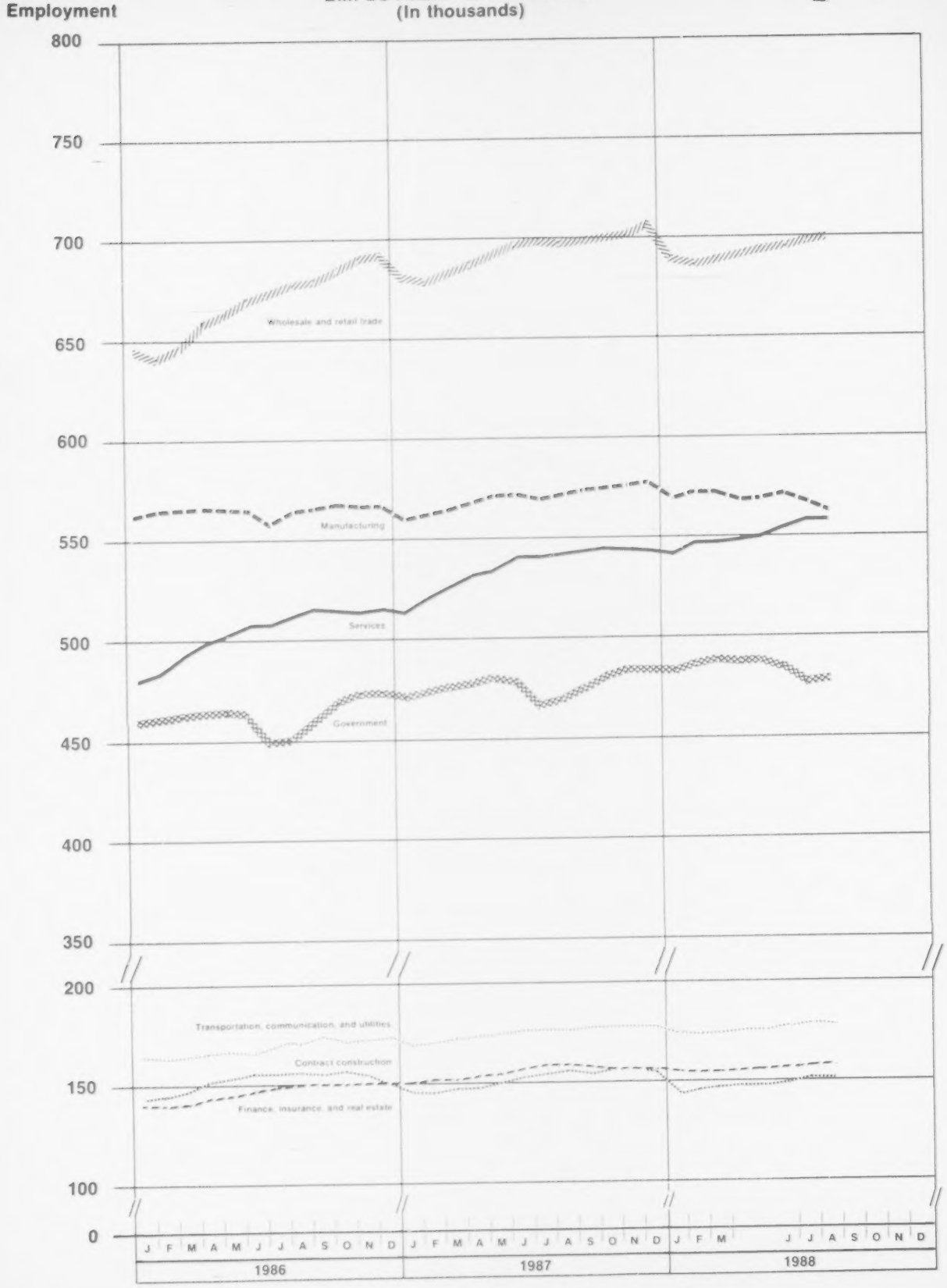

GEORGIA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	2,794.4	2,795.1	2,776.6	-.7	17.8
Manufacturing	300005	562.7	567.0	571.2	-4.3	-8.5
Durable goods	300025	213.8	218.3	221.6	-4.5	-7.8
Lumber and wood products	324005	33.8	34.1	34.2	-.3	-.4
Logging camps, sawmills, and planing mills	324195	13.7	13.8	14.1	-.1	-.4
Furniture and fixtures	325005	11.6	11.6	12.0	0	-.4
Household furniture	325105	6.4	6.4	6.6	0	-.2
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	20.1	20.3	20.7	-.2	-.6
Primary metal industries	333005	16.4	16.2	16.1	.2	.3
Fabricated metal products	334005	20.6	20.5	21.0	.1	-.4
Machinery, except electrical	335005	27.1	27.1	26.0	0	1.1
Electric and electronic equipment	336005	29.8	29.6	29.7	.2	.1
Transportation equipment	337005	42.3	46.6	49.5	-4.3	-7.2
Other durable goods	399915	12.1	12.3	12.4	-.2	-.3
Nondurable goods	400015	349.0	348.7	349.6	.3	-.6
Food and kindred products	420005	62.2	62.0	62.0	.2	.2
Meat products	420105	27.7	27.4	26.4	.3	1.3
Poultry dressing and poultry processing	420185	20.9	20.7	19.4	.2	1.5
Dairy products	420205	3.7	3.7	3.8	0	-.1
Bakery products	420505	9.3	9.4	9.5	-.1	-.2
Textile mill products	422005	108.4	107.5	107.9	.9	.5
Weaving mills, cotton	422105	17.8	17.8	17.8	0	0
Weaving mills, synthetic	422205	8.9	8.8	8.8	.1	.1
Knitting mills	422505	8.4	8.4	8.9	0	-.5
Floor covering mills	422705	36.6	36.0	35.8	.6	.8
Yarn and thread mills	422805	20.6	20.4	21.0	.2	-.4
Apparel and other textile products	423005	65.7	65.7	68.0	0	-2.3
Men's and boys' clothing	423175	35.1	35.4	37.5	-.3	-2.4
Women's and children's clothing	423335	19.9	20.0	19.8	-.1	.1
Paper and allied products	426005	31.0	31.2	30.7	-.2	.3
Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills	426135	13.6	13.6	13.0	0	.6
Paperboard containers and boxes	426505	7.5	7.6	7.7	-.1	-.2
Printing and publishing	427005	38.1	38.4	37.3	-.3	.8
Commercial printing	427505	14.9	15.0	14.6	-.1	.3
Chemicals and allied products	428005	19.5	19.6	19.3	-.1	.2
Agricultural chemicals	428705	1.8	1.8	1.8	0	0
Leather and leather products	431005	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Other nondurable goods	499915	22.4	22.7	22.8	-.3	-.4
Nonmanufacturing	000060	2,231.7	2,228.1	2,205.4	3.6	26.3
Mining	100005	8.6	8.6	8.4	0	.2
Contract construction	200005	151.9	152.2	155.2	-.3	-3.3
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	178.4	178.4	176.3	0	2.1
Transportation	500015	107.2	107.2	106.2	0	1.0
Communication (except U.S. Postal Service)	548005	44.4	44.5	44.0	-.1	.4
Electric, gas, and sanitary services	549005	26.8	26.7	26.1	.1	.7
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	698.9	697.3	696.1	1.6	2.8
Wholesale trade	650005	201.2	200.5	200.3	.7	.9
Wholesale trade—durable	650015	131.0	130.7	129.9	.3	1.1
Wholesale trade—nondurable	651005	70.3	69.9	70.4	.4	-.1
Retail trade	652005	497.7	496.8	495.8	.9	1.9
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	157.8	157.9	158.1	-.1	-.3
Finance	760025	69.6	69.7	71.0	-.1	-1.4
Insurance carriers, agents, and brokers	763045	51.2	51.2	50.9	0	.3
Real estate	765075	37.0	37.0	36.1	0	.9
Services	800005	558.0	558.1	543.1	-.1	14.9
Hotels and other lodging places	870005	40.9	41.0	40.0	-.1	.9
Business services	873005	134.8	134.9	132.6	-.1	2.2
Health services	880005	135.3	135.3	130.4	0	4.9
Private hospitals	880605	51.5	51.3	48.4	.2	3.1
Government	998008	478.0	475.5	468.3	2.5	9.7
Federal	998011	98.4	98.7	99.8	-.3	-1.4
Defense	998101	35.6	35.6	37.9	0	-2.3
Other federal (including U.S. Postal Service)	998401	62.9	63.1	61.9	-.2	1.0
State	998512	110.7	111.6	108.6	-.9	2.1
State education	882002	43.0	43.9	41.4	-.9	1.6
Other state	992972	67.7	67.7	67.2	0	.5
Local	998523	268.9	265.2	259.8	3.7	9.1
Local education	882003	134.3	131.2	130.4	3.1	3.9
Other local	993973	134.6	134.1	129.4	.5	5.2

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers throughout Georgia. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

GEORGIA HOURS AND EARNINGS

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
		CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987	CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987
Total manufacturing	300005	$355.59	$359.35	$351.52	41.3	41.4	41.6	$ 8.61	$ 8.68	$ 8.45
Durable goods	300025	394.96	406.43	393.59	41.4	41.9	41.3	9.54	9.70	9.53
Nondurable goods	400015	332.07	331.27	326.46	41.2	41.1	41.8	8.06	8.06	7.81
SELECTED INDUSTRIES										
Food and kindred products	420005	318.79	333.66	315.57	40.2	41.5	40.2	7.93	8.04	7.85
Textile mill products	422005	331.58	320.78	328.56	43.4	42.6	44.4	7.64	7.53	7.40
Weaving mills, cotton	422105	319.45	320.45	328.33	42.2	42.5	45.1	7.57	7.54	7.28
Weaving mills, synthetic	422205	345.54	328.75	341.04	44.3	43.2	45.9	7.80	7.61	7.43
Knitting mills	422505	280.73	260.09	262.61	41.9	40.2	42.7	6.70	6.47	6.15
Floor covering mills	422705	351.78	337.70	336.87	45.1	43.8	45.4	7.80	7.71	7.42
Yarn and thread mills	422805	307.86	307.64	317.86	42.0	42.2	42.1	7.33	7.29	7.55
Apparel and other textile products	423005	194.30	196.14	190.63	36.8	36.8	37.6	5.28	5.33	5.07
Men's and boys' clothing	423175	190.99	196.71	189.88	35.9	36.7	37.9	5.32	5.36	5.01
Women's and children's clothing	423335	181.76	177.61	175.69	37.4	36.1	36.3	4.86	4.92	4.84
Lumber and wood products	324005	286.31	284.71	321.96	40.1	40.1	40.6	7.14	7.10	7.93
Furniture and fixtures	325005	274.54	260.25	257.80	37.2	35.7	37.2	7.38	7.29	6.93
Paper and allied products	426005	546.11	540.79	525.10	44.8	44.4	44.5	12.19	12.18	11.80
Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills	426135	647.43	643.34	630.65	47.5	47.2	46.1	13.63	13.63	13.68
Chemicals and allied products	428005	447.91	455.82	470.67	41.9	42.6	43.5	10.69	10.70	10.82
Leather and leather products	431005	202.00	186.73	158.86	40.4	35.1	33.8	5.00	5.32	4.70
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	394.68	384.99	390.77	44.0	43.6	42.2	8.97	8.83	9.26
Fabricated metal products	334005	359.86	359.77	344.42	40.8	41.4	41.9	8.82	8.69	8.22
Electric and electronic equipment	336005	344.43	353.98	356.59	41.8	42.7	42.3	8.24	8.29	8.43
Transportation equipment	337005	578.24	603.48	518.76	41.6	42.8	39.6	13.90	14.10	13.10

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Data exclude supervisory, sales, clerical, and other office personnel. Average earnings are computed on a "gross" basis, reflecting changes in basic hourly and incentive wage rates, as well as any premium pay for overtime and late shift work. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

ATLANTA MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	1,388.2	1,391.4	1,375.6	-3.2	12.6
Manufacturing	300005	181.1	185.7	186.9	-4.6	-5.8
Durable goods	300025	89.4	93.8	95.7	-4.4	-6.3
Lumber and wood products	324005	4.7	5.0	5.0	-.3	-.3
Furniture and fixtures	325005	4.2	4.1	4.2	.1	.0
Household furniture	325105	1.8	1.8	1.8	.0	.0
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	9.0	8.9	9.4	.1	-.4
Primary metal industries	333005	7.0	7.0	6.7	.0	.3
Fabricated metal products	334005	9.8	9.9	9.5	-.1	.3
Machinery, except electrical	335005	11.1	11.1	10.4	.0	.7
Electric and electronic equipment	336005	14.6	14.4	14.8	.2	-.2
Transportation equipment	337005	23.5	27.9	30.1	-4.4	-6.6
Other durable goods	399915	5.4	5.5	5.6	-.1	-.2
Nondurable goods	400015	91.8	91.9	91.2	-.1	.6
Food and kindred products	420005	21.5	21.5	21.5	.0	.0
Meat products	420105	7.2	7.2	7.4	.0	-.2
Bakery products	420505	3.7	3.7	3.4	.0	.3
Textile mill products	422005	7.7	7.6	7.4	.1	.3
Weaving mills, cotton	422105	2.9	2.9	2.7	.0	.2
Yarn and thread mills	422805	1.0	.8	1.0	.2	.0
Apparel and other textile products	423005	11.3	10.9	11.6	.4	-.3
Men's and boys' clothing	423175	4.8	4.6	5.0	.2	-.2
Women's and children's clothing	423335	2.9	3.0	3.0	-.1	-.1
Paper and allied products	426005	9.3	9.5	9.3	-.2	.0
Paperboard containers and boxes	426505	4.9	5.0	5.0	-.1	-.1
Printing and publishing	427005	22.9	23.2	22.7	-.3	.2
Commercial printing	427505	9.2	9.2	9.0	.0	.2
Chemicals and allied products	428005	9.4	9.4	9.3	.0	.1
Other nondurable goods	499915	9.6	9.7	9.4	-.1	.2
Nonmanufacturing	000060	1,207.1	1,205.7	1,188.7	1.4	18.4
Mining	100005	1.4	1.4	1.4	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	73.0	73.2	75.1	-.2	-2.1
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	120.4	120.2	116.4	.2	4.0
Transportation	500015	75.7	75.5	72.9	.2	2.8
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	381.8	380.1	379.4	1.7	2.4
Wholesale trade	650005	131.8	131.4	131.2	.4	.6
Wholesale trade—durable	650015	93.7	93.3	92.6	.4	1.1
Wholesale trade—nondurable	651005	38.1	38.1	38.6	.0	-.5
Retail trade	652005	250.0	248.7	248.2	1.3	1.8
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	100.5	100.5	99.8	.0	.7
Finance	760025	41.2	41.3	41.1	-.1	.1
Insurance carriers, agents, and brokers	763045	35.0	34.9	34.8	.1	.2
Services	800005	333.2	333.5	325.5	-.3	7.7
Hotels and other lodging places	870005	24.1	24.2	23.7	-.1	.4
Business services	873005	98.8	98.6	97.7	.2	1.1
Health services	880005	62.3	61.9	59.3	.4	3.0
Private hospitals	880605	24.3	24.1	22.6	.2	1.7
Government	998008	196.8	196.9	191.2	-.1	5.6
Federal	998011	42.6	43.0	42.2	-.4	.4
Defense	998101	5.9	6.0	6.3	-.1	-.4
Other federal (including U.S. Postal Service)	998401	36.7	37.0	35.9	-.3	.8
State	998512	40.4	40.2	38.2	.2	2.2
State education	882002	13.7	13.4	12.2	.3	1.5
Other state	992972	26.7	26.7	26.0	.0	.7
Local	998523	113.8	113.8	110.9	.0	2.9
Local education	882003	53.0	53.1	51.8	-.1	1.2
Other local	993973	60.8	60.7	59.1	.1	1.7

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Atlanta MSA, which includes Barrow, Butts, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Newton, Paulding, Rockdale, Spalding, and Walton counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

ALBANY MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	49.2	48.8	48.8	.4	.4
Manufacturing	300005	8.0	8.0	8.2	.0	-.2
Durable goods	300025	1.7	1.7	1.7	.0	.0
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	.6	.6	.7	.0	-.1
Other durable goods	399915	1.1	1.1	1.0	.0	.1
Nondurable goods	400015	6.3	6.2	6.5	.1	-.2
Food and kindred products	420005	1.9	1.9	2.1	.0	-.2
Textile mill products	422005	1.1	1.1	1.0	.0	.1
Chemicals and allied products	428005	.4	.4	.4	.0	.0
Other nondurable goods	499915	2.9	2.9	3.0	.0	-.1
Nonmanufacturing	000060	41.2	40.8	40.6	.4	.6
Mining	100005	*	*	*	*	*
Contract construction	200005	3.1	3.1	2.9	.0	.2
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	2.1	2.1	2.3	.0	-.2
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	12.6	12.5	12.5	.1	.1
Wholesale trade	650005	3.3	3.2	3.3	.1	.0
Retail trade	652005	9.3	9.3	9.2	.0	.1
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	2.5	2.5	2.5	.0	.0
Services	800005	8.6	8.7	8.5	-.1	.1
Government	998008	12.3	11.8	12.0	.5	.3
Federal	998011	3.5	3.5	3.5	.0	.0
State and local	998509	8.9	8.4	8.5	.5	.4

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Albany MSA, which includes Dougherty and Lee counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

* Employment fewer than 100 workers

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems

ATHENS MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	62.0	61.9	62.0	.1	.0
Manufacturing	300005	15.5	15.2	15.4	.3	.1
Durable goods	300025	5.3	5.3	5.6	.0	-.3
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	2.7	2.7	2.6	.0	.1
Other durable goods	399915	2.6	2.6	3.0	.0	-.4
Nondurable goods	400015	10.2	9.9	9.8	.3	.4
Food and kindred products	420005	3.8	3.8	3.5	.0	.3
Textile mill products	422005	2.6	2.4	2.7	.2	-.1
Apparel and other textile products	423005	2.3	2.2	2.3	.1	.0
Other nondurable goods	499915	1.5	1.4	1.4	.1	.1
Nonmanufacturing	000060	46.6	46.7	46.6	-.1	.0
Mining	100005	.2	.2	.2	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	2.4	2.4	2.5	.0	-.1
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	1.8	1.8	1.8	.0	.0
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	12.7	12.8	13.0	-.1	-.3
Wholesale trade	650005	2.6	2.6	2.5	.0	.1
Retail trade	652005	10.1	10.2	10.5	-.1	-.4
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	1.9	1.9	2.0	.0	-.1
Services	800005	9.8	9.8	9.7	.0	.1
Government	998008	17.8	17.7	17.5	.1	.3
Federal	998011	2.0	1.9	2.0	.1	.0
State and local	998509	15.8	15.8	15.5	.0	.3

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Athens MSA, which includes Clarke, Jackson, Madison, and Oconee counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems

AUGUSTA MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	157.6	157.9	157.0	-.3	.6
Manufacturing	300005	36.6	36.5	35.8	.1	.8
Durable goods	300025	9.5	9.6	9.1	-.1	.4
Lumber and wood products	324005	1.0	1.1	1.1	-.1	-.1
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	3.1	3.1	3.2	.0	-.1
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	2.6	2.6	2.3	.0	.3
Other durable goods	399915	2.7	2.7	2.4	.0	.3
Nondurable goods	400015	27.2	27.0	26.8	.2	.4
Food and kindred products	420005	2.4	2.4	2.3	.0	.1
Textile mill products	422005	5.8	5.7	5.9	.1	-.1
Apparel and other textile products	423005	3.2	3.1	2.9	.1	.3
Printing and publishing	427005	1.6	1.6	1.4	.0	.2
Other nondurable goods	499915	14.2	14.2	14.4	.0	-.2
Nonmanufacturing	000060	120.9	121.4	121.1	-.5	-.2
Mining	100005	.5	.5	.5	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	9.8	9.9	9.8	-.1	.0
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	5.1	5.2	5.3	-.1	-.2
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	33.4	33.4	34.3	.0	-.9
Wholesale trade	650005	4.8	4.8	4.9	.0	-.1
Retail trade	652005	28.6	28.6	29.5	.0	-.9
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	6.1	6.2	6.4	-.1	-.3
Services	800055	32.7	32.9	32.2	-.2	.5
Government	998008	33.3	33.3	32.6	.0	.7
Federal	998011	8.2	8.3	8.4	-.1	-.2
State and local	998509	25.1	25.1	24.2	.0	.9

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Augusta MSA, which includes Columbia, McDuffie, and Richmond counties in Georgia and Aiken County, South Carolina. The estimates include all full-and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

COLUMBUS MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	92.4	92.2	92.3	.2	.1
Manufacturing	300005	20.1	20.1	20.2	.0	-.1
Durable goods	300025	6.1	6.1	6.0	.0	.1
Lumber and wood products	324005	1.0	.9	.8	.1	.2
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	.6	.6	.6	.0	.0
Primary metals, fabricated metals, and machinery	333055	3.4	3.3	3.5	.1	-.1
Other durable goods	399915	1.1	1.2	1.1	-.1	.0
Nondurable goods	400015	14.0	14.0	14.2	.0	-.2
Food and kindred products	420005	3.5	3.4	3.7	.1	-.2
Textile mill products	422005	7.1	7.1	7.1	.0	.0
Apparel and other textile products	423005	.5	.5	.5	.0	.0
Printing and publishing	427005	1.3	1.3	1.4	.0	-.1
Other nondurable goods	499915	1.6	1.6	1.4	.0	.2
Nonmanufacturing	000060	72.2	72.2	72.1	.0	.1
Mining	100005	.1	.1	.1	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	5.3	5.2	5.4	.1	-.1
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	3.5	3.6	3.7	-.1	-.2
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	20.1	20.2	20.5	-.1	-.4
Wholesale trade	650005	2.7	2.6	2.6	.1	.1
Retail trade	652005	17.5	17.6	17.9	-.1	-.4
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	6.1	6.1	6.3	.0	-.2
Services	800005	16.6	16.6	16.0	.0	.6
Government	998008	20.4	20.4	20.1	.0	.3
Federal	998011	6.9	6.9	7.5	.0	-.6
State and local	998509	13.5	13.5	12.6	.0	.9

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Columbus MSA, which includes Chattahoochee and Muscogee counties in Georgia and Russell County, Alabama. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

MACON-WARNER ROBINS MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	118.3	118.3	118.2	.0	.1
Manufacturing	300005	18.3	18.3	18.6	.0	-.3
Durable goods	300025	7.2	7.1	7.1	.1	.1
Lumber and wood products	324005	.5	.5	.4	.0	.1
Stone, clay, and glass products	332005	1.1	1.1	1.1	.0	.0
Machinery, except electrical	335005	.5	.5	.5	.0	.0
Other durable goods	399915	5.0	5.0	5.0	.0	.0
Nondurable goods	400015	11.1	11.2	11.5	-.1	-.4
Food and kindred products	420005	2.2	2.2	2.4	.0	-.2
Textile mill products	422005	1.4	1.4	1.4	.0	.0
Apparel and other textile products	423005	1.2	1.2	1.3	.0	-.1
Paper and allied products	426005	2.3	2.3	2.3	.0	.0
Chemicals and allied products	428005	.3	.3	.3	.0	.0
Other nondurable goods	499915	3.8	3.8	3.8	.0	.0
Nonmanufacturing	000060	100.0	100.0	99.6	.0	.4
Mining	100005	.1	.1	.1	.0	.0
Contract construction	200005	5.0	5.0	5.1	.0	-.1
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	4.9	4.9	4.9	.0	.0
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	26.9	26.9	26.9	.0	.0
Wholesale trade	650005	4.8	4.7	4.7	.1	.1
Retail trade	652005	22.1	22.2	22.2	-.1	-.1
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	7.8	7.8	7.6	.0	.2
Services	800055	22.5	22.6	22.3	-.1	.2
Government	998008	32.7	32.6	32.7	.1	.0
Federal	998011	17.3	17.1	17.6	.2	.3
State and local	998509	15.5	15.5	15.1	.0	.4

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Macon MSA, which includes Bibb, Houston, Jones, and Peach counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

SAVANNAH MSA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH AUG. 1988	PREVIOUS MONTH JUL. 1988	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO AUG. 1987	NET CHANGE IN JOBS	
					PREVIOUS MONTH	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total nonagricultural employment	000000	102.3	102.4	102.0	-.1	.3
Manufacturing	300005	16.6	16.6	17.2	.0	-.6
Durable goods	300025	7.7	7.6	8.1	.1	-.4
Lumber and wood products, except furniture	324005	1.3	1.2	1.2	.1	.1
Millwork, plywood, and prefabricated structural products	324305	.5	.6	.5	-.1	.0
Transportation equipment	337005	4.5	4.4	5.0	.1	-.5
Other durable goods	399915	2.0	2.0	1.9	.0	.1
Nondurable goods	400015	8.9	8.9	9.1	.0	-.2
Food and kindred products	420005	2.0	2.0	2.0	.0	.0
Paper and allied products	426005	4.3	4.3	4.4	.0	-.1
Chemicals and allied products	428005	1.5	1.5	1.4	.0	.1
Petroleum and coal products	429005	.4	.4	.6	.0	-.2
Other nondurable goods	499915	.8	.8	.8	.0	.0
Nonmanufacturing	000060	85.7	85.8	84.8	-.1	.9
Mining	100005	*	*	*	*	*
Contract construction	200005	6.7	6.8	6.7	-.1	.0
Transportation, communication, and public utilities (except U.S.P.S.)	500005	8.9	9.1	9.3	-.2	-.4
Wholesale and retail trade	600005	25.4	25.2	25.2	.2	.2
Wholesale trade	650005	5.0	4.9	5.2	.1	-.2
Retail trade	652005	20.4	20.3	20.0	.1	.4
Finance, insurance, and real estate	700005	4.4	4.3	4.6	.1	-.2
Services	800005	24.1	24.2	23.8	-.1	.3
Government	998008	16.2	16.2	15.1	.0	1.1
Federal	998011	2.7	2.7	2.9	.0	-.2
State and local	998509	13.5	13.6	12.2	-.1	1.3

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Savannah MSA, which includes Chatham and Effingham counties. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1987 benchmark. Totals may not add because of rounding.

* Industry division does not meet disclosure criteria.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

UNITED STATES AND GEORGIA LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

AREA	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY AUG. 1988	REVISED JUL. 1988	REVISED AUG. 1987	CHANGE FROM REVISED JUL. 1988	CHANGE FROM REVISED AUG. 1987
United States (Seasonally adjusted)	Civilian labor force	122,031,000	121,684,000	120,302,000	347,000	1,729,000
	Employed	115,180,000	115,059,000	113,081,000	121,000	2,099,000
	Unemployed	6,851,000	6,625,000	7,221,000	226,000	-370,000
	Rate	5.6	5.4	6.0	—	—
United States (Not seasonally adjusted)	Civilian labor force	123,396,000	123,888,000	121,614,000	-492,000	1,782,000
	Employed	116,737,000	117,066,000	114,527,000	-329,000	2,210,000
	Unemployed	6,659,000	6,823,000	7,088,000	-164,000	-429,000
	Rate	5.4	5.5	5.8	—	—
Georgia	Civilian labor force	3,197,295	3,180,532	3,066,897	16,763	130,398
	Employed	3,001,000	2,972,743	2,904,774	28,257	96,226
	Unemployed	196,295	207,789	162,123	-11,494	34,172
	Rate	6.1	6.5	5.3	—	—
Albany MSA	Civilian labor force	57,721	58,710	55,743	-989	1,978
	Employed	52,281	51,270	50,654	1,011	1,627
	Unemployed	5,440	7,440	5,089	-2,000	351
	Rate	9.4	12.7	9.1	—	—
Athens MSA	Civilian labor force	73,468	73,356	71,847	112	1,621
	Employed	70,423	69,454	68,756	969	1,667
	Unemployed	3,045	3,902	3,091	-857	-46
	Rate	4.1	5.3	4.3	—	—
Atlanta MSA	Civilian labor force	1,518,594	1,507,970	1,451,113	10,624	67,481
	Employed	1,434,811	1,425,641	1,383,185	9,170	51,626
	Unemployed	83,783	82,329	67,928	1,454	15,855
	Rate	5.5	5.5	4.7	—	—
Augusta, Ga.-S.C. MSA	Civilian labor force	184,103	183,494	179,394	609	4,709
	Employed	172,996	171,795	169,172	1,201	3,824
	Unemployed	11,107	11,699	10,222	-592	885
	Rate	6.0	6.4	5.7	—	—
Columbus, Ga.-Ala. MSA	Civilian labor force	102,135	101,474	100,194	661	1,941
	Employed	95,661	94,394	94,314	1,267	1,347
	Unemployed	6,474	7,080	5,880	-606	594
	Rate	6.3	7.0	5.9	—	—
Macon-Warner Robins MSA	Civilian labor force	131,988	130,731	128,130	1,257	3,858
	Employed	125,076	123,474	121,845	1,602	3,231
	Unemployed	6,912	7,257	6,285	-345	627
	Rate	5.2	5.6	4.9	—	—
Savannah MSA	Civilian labor force	114,336	113,974	110,134	362	4,202
	Employed	106,778	106,015	103,597	763	3,181
	Unemployed	7,558	7,959	6,537	-401	1,021
	Rate	6.6	7.0	5.9	—	—

NOTE: Employment includes nonagricultural wage and salary employment, self-employed, unpaid family and private household workers, and agricultural workers. Persons in labor disputes are counted as employed. The use of unrounded data does not imply that the numbers are exact. Georgia and Metropolitan Statistical Area data have not been seasonally adjusted.

Albany MSA: includes Dougherty and Lee counties.
Athens MSA: includes Clarke, Jackson, Madison, and Oconee counties.
Atlanta MSA: includes Barrow, Butts, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Newton, Paulding, Rockdale, Spalding, and Walton counties.
Augusta MSA: includes Columbia, McDuffie, and Richmond counties in Georgia and Aiken County, South Carolina.
Columbus MSA: includes Chattahoochee and Muscogee counties in Georgia and Russell County, Alabama.
Macon MSA: includes Bibb, Houston, Jones, and Peach counties.
Savannah MSA: includes Chatham and Effingham counties.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

AUGUSTA MSA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

AREA	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY AUG. 1988	REVISED JUL. 1988	REVISED AUG. 1987	CHANGE FROM REVISED JUL. 1988	CHANGE FROM REVISED AUG. 1987
Augusta, Ga.-S.C. MSA	Civilian labor force	184,103	183,494	179,394	609	4,709
	Employed	172,996	171,795	169,172	1,201	3,824
	Unemployed	11,107	11,699	10,222	-592	885
	Rate	6.0	6.4	5.7	—	—
Residing in Georgia	Civilian labor force	123,309	122,542	119,550	767	3,759
	Employed	115,691	114,460	112,501	1,231	3,190
	Unemployed	7,618	8,082	7,049	-464	569
	Rate	6.2	6.6	5.9	—	—
Residing in South Carolina	Civilian labor force	60,794	60,952	59,844	-158	950
	Employed	57,305	57,335	56,671	-30	634
	Unemployed	3,489	3,617	3,173	-128	316
	Rate	5.7	5.9	5.3	—	—

NOTE: The Augusta Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Columbia, McDuffie, and Richmond Counties, Georgia, and Aiken County, South Carolina.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor, Labor Information Systems.

COLUMBUS MSA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

AREA	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY AUG. 1988	REVISED JUL. 1988	REVISED AUG. 1987	CHANGE FROM REVISED JUL. 1988	CHANGE FROM REVISED AUG. 1987
Columbus, Ga.-Ala. MSA	Civilian labor force	102,135	101,474	100,194	661	1,941
	Employed	95,661	94,394	94,314	1,267	1,347
	Unemployed	6,474	7,080	5,880	-606	594
	Rate	6.3	7.0	5.9	—	—
Residing in Georgia	Civilian labor force	80,425	79,767	77,763	658	2,662
	Employed	75,093	74,047	73,337	1,046	1,756
	Unemployed	5,332	5,720	4,426	-388	906
	Rate	6.6	7.2	5.7	—	—
Residing in Alabama	Civilian labor force	21,710	21,707	22,431	3	-721
	Employed	20,568	20,347	20,977	221	-409
	Unemployed	1,142	1,360	1,454	-218	-312
	Rate	5.3	6.3	6.5	—	—

NOTE: The Columbus Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Muscogee and Chattahoochee Counties, Georgia, and Russell County, Alabama.

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